

ABSTRACT AMENDMENTS

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

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A pivotal joystick base has a base bar (1) with a pivot end and a base end. The pivot end is pivotal horizontally on a base pivot (2) positioned on a chair attachment (3) that is fixable to a motorized chair (4). The base end is adapted to support a joystick assembly (5) for operating the motorized chair. The base pivot includes a pivot lock for locking the joystick base in a pivoted position laterally from the base pivot to prevent contact of the joystick assembly with tables, desks, workstations, walls and other approachable objects (17) selectively. The base end can include an assembly fastener (31) for rotating the joystick assembly to a forward position in compensation for rotational positioning of the joystick assembly by lateral pivoting of the joystick base. The joystick base can have a linear mount that includes a slot (32) for linear distancing of the joystick assembly from the base pivot selectively.

Another embodiment of the pivotal joystick base has two plates, a first plate (35) which is pivotally connected to the extension arm (38) and a second plate (36) on which the joystick controls (46) are mounted which is pivotally attached at a distal point (45) on the first plate (35). This embodiment enables the joystick controls (46) to be fully swivelled and pivoted so that the joystick controls (46) are aligned alongside the wheelchair arm (37) in the same forward orientation as during normal use.